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For: A METHOD FOR  
QUANTITATING  
COMPETITIVE BINDING OF  
MOLECULES TO  
PROTEINS UTILIZING  
FLUORESCENCE  
POLARIZATION Docket No.: IVGN 423.1 DIV

**NOTIFICATION OF LOSS OF ENTITLEMENT TO  
SMALL ENTITY STATUS and  
NOTIFICATION TO CORRECT DEFICIENCY  
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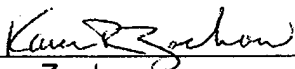
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